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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 25, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102 and §103

Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 10-14, 16-26 and 31-43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Pat. App. Pub. No. 2003/0033550 (Kuiawa). Claims 27-29 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious in view of Kuiawa.

Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 10-14, and 16

Applicants respectfully assert that independent claim 1 and its dependent claims are patentable in view of Kuiawa. In the Examiner's "Response to Arguments," the Examiner cited ¶0034 of Kuiawa as teaching a user interface module configured to generate the recited user interface automatically upon occurrence of a predetermined event. Office Action, page 9. Applicants respectfully disagree. However, to expedite allowance of the claims, claim 1 has been amended to recite that the user interface module generates the user interface and causes the user interface to be displayed automatically upon occurrence of the predetermined eyent. The text from ¶0034 of Kuiawa cited by the Examiner reads that "[i]f the application program detects abnormalitites in one or more UPS devices, the application program causes the operating system to generate pertinent GUIs in the manner as described with respect to FIGS. 3-8." (emphasis added). The description of generating pertinent GUIs in the manner as described with respect to FIGS. 3-8 discusses that, in order to obtain multiple pieces of information regarding multiple characteristics of operation of a single UPS and/or connectivity of a system and the single UPS, a user must manually click on a monitoring icon. See, e.g., ¶0025. In ¶0025, it reads that "the user can click the UPS monitoring icon 500 using the mouse 224 to determine the status or state of the UPS devices 120. With reference to FIG. 6, the user's action causes the computer 200 to open a dialog window 600." Thus, Kuiawa does not teach, disclose, or suggest the recited user interface module that generates the user interface and causes the user interface to be displayed

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automatically upon occurrence of the predetermined event, as recited in claim1. For at least these reasons, independent claim 1 is, and claims 2, 4-7, 10-14, and 16 that depend from claim 1 are, patentable in view of Kuiawa.

Claims 17-25

Applicants respectfully assert that independent claim 17 and its dependent claims are patentable in view of Kuiawa. Independent claim 17 recites a method for providing a notification about the operation of a single uninterruptible power supply (UPS) connected to a computer system. The method includes automatically generating and causing to be displayed, upon the occurrence of the first condition, a user interface having an indicator capable of conveying UPS information. As discussed above in reference to independent claim 1, in order to display a user interface using the methods of Kuiawa, the user must manually click on a monitoring icon. See, e.g., ¶0025. Thus, Kuiawa does not teach, disclose, or suggest the recited automatically generating and causing to be displayed, upon the occurrence of the first condition, a user interface having an indicator capable of conveying UPS information. For at least these reasons, independent claim 17 is, and claims 18-25 that depend from claim 17 are, patentable in view of Kuiawa.

Claims 26-29

Applicants respectfully assert that independent claim 26 and its dependent claims are patentable in view of Kuiawa. Independent claim 26 recites a method for providing a user, when an event occurs, with information relating to the operation of a single uninterruptible power supply (UPS). The method includes automatically displaying a user interface providing event-specific information about the operational status of the single UPS, wherein automatically displaying the user interface occurs in response to the event occurring. As discussed above in reference to independent claim 1, in order to display a user interface using the methods of Kuiawa, the user must manually click on a monitoring icon. See, e.g., ¶0025. Thus, Kuiawa does not teach, disclose, or suggest the recited automatically displaying of the recited user

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interface. For at least these reasons, independent claim 26 is, and claims 27-29 that depend from claim 26 are, patentable in view of Kuiawa.

Claims 31-34

Applicants respectfully assert that independent claim 31 and its dependent claims are patentable in view of Kuiawa. Independent claim 31 recites a system for notifying a user about the occurrence of at least one event associated with the operation of a single uninterruptible power supply (UPS), the event having a duration. The system includes means for automatically generating and displaying a user interface when the event occurs. As discussed above in reference to independent claim 1, in order to display a user interface using the methods of Kuiawa, the user must manually click on a monitoring icon. See, e.g., ¶0025. Thus, Kuiawa does not teach, disclose, or suggest the recited means for automatically generating and displaying the recited user interface. For at least these reasons, independent claim 31 is, and claims 32-34 that depend from claim 31 are, patentable in view of Kuiawa.

Claims 35-43

Applicants respectfully assert that independent claim 35 and its dependent claims are patentable in view of Kuiawa. Independent claim 35 recites a computer program product for providing information about the status of a single uninterruptible power supply (UPS) during an event, the UPS having at least one operational parameter. The computer program product includes computer-readable instructions for causing a computer to automatically generate and cause to be displayed, upon occurrence of the event, a user interface conveying information about the UPS operational parameter. As discussed above in reference to independent claim 1, in order to display a user interface using the methods of Kuiawa, the user must manually click on a monitoring icon. See, e.g., ¶0025. Thus, Kuiawa does not teach, disclose, or suggest the recited computer program product configured to cause a computer to automatically generate and cause to be displayed the recited user interface. For at least these reasons, independent claim 35 is, and claims 36-43 that depend from claim 36 are, patentable in view of Kuiawa.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 858-350-6100.

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